A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE, WAS HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2009 AT 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:
MAYOR SHIPLEY
VICE-MAYOR PRIVETT
COMMISSIONER ADAMS
COMMISSIONER HARMON
COMMISSIONER SKILES
INTERIM MANAGER BURRIS
SECRETARY BARKER

MEMBER ABSENT: CITY ATTORNEY ELLIOTT

The Board presented Officers Jeremy Wright and Craig Winters with Life Saving Awards. On April 29, 2009 the officers responded to a 911 call of an unconscious party. Upon arrival the officers observed the party not breathing. With the personal training and professional attention to duty the officers quickly reacted by administering CPR and bringing this person back to life.

The minutes of the meeting held June 4, 2009 were approved as presented.

Old Business:

## **2008-2009 ORDINANCE NO.** <u>11</u>

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE GENERAL REVENUE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010 TO BE KNOWN AS THE GENERAL REVENUE ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE TAX RATE OF SEVENTY-EIGHT CENTS (\$.78) FOR SAID YEAR. SECOND AND FINAL READING.

Vice-Mayor Privett stated a change may be seen in the tax rate once the State Board of Equalization has completed their recalculation of the certified tax rate. He stated after that a rate adjustment may be necessary to keep the City's property tax revenue amount the same.

1<sup>st</sup> - Commissioner Adams
 2<sup>nd</sup> - Commissioner Harmon

Ayes - Unanimous

## 2008-2009 ORDINANCE NO. 12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2009 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2010. SECOND AND FINAL READING.

Commissioner Adams made motion to approve with provisions as noted in the budget workshop.

 $1^{st}$  - Commissioner Adams  $2^{nd}$  - Vice-Mayor Privett

Ayes - Unanimous

Mayor Shipley along with the Board of Commissioners presented the Soddy-Daisy High School Band with a \$20,000.00 donation toward their trip to participate in the Rose Bowl Parade. Band Director Eric Majors, Michelle Bowman, Colleen Pruitt, several band boosters and band members were present to accept this donation. Mayor Shipley stated if the Board members were to take a salary, which they do not, the total annual

amount would be close to the donated amount. The band was chosen from over 1,000 bands all over the world and Soddy-Daisy will be one of twelve bands from the United States to participate. Band Director Majors and Captain Kevin Pruitt thanked the City Commission for the huge support.

New Business:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE, REZONING FROM R-3 APARTMENT-TOWNHOUSE DISTRICT TO R-T/Z RESIDENTIAL TOWNHOUSE/ZERO LOT LINE DISTRICT A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED AT 11319 DAYTON PIKE. PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST READING.

Property owner Andre' Newman and his architect, Scott Wright were present to answer questions. Mr. Newman stated he plans to develop thirty-seven townhouses on the property, to be individually sold. They are to be built in clusters of three and four units. He stated they are set up for retirement style homes with a bedroom up and downstairs. Each unit will be privately owned. Vice-Mayor Privett asked Mr. Newman if he had spoken with Mr. McGill who previously questioned his view being blocked. Mr. Newman stated he has everything worked out with Mr. McGill. With no one present in opposition, Vice-Mayor Privett made motion to approve.

1<sup>st</sup> - Vice-Mayor Privett

2<sup>nd</sup> - Commissioner Skiles

Ayes - Unanimous

Manager Burris asked Mr. Newman if it would bring on any hardship on his plans if the July 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting were canceled and the second reading heard on July 16, 2009. Mr. Newman stated he is ready should the meeting take place, but it would be okay if the meeting is canceled.

Andre' Newman stated there is a curb on the bridge at Dayton Pike and Durham Street very close to the lane of traffic. He asked if the City could look at the situation and rectify the angle of the curb. He also stated it has been hit by several people with results of damage to rim and/or a flat tire.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE, TO ABANDON A PORTION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SEQUOYAH ROAD AND DALLAS HOLLOW ROAD.

PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST READING.

Mayor Shipley explained this property is located at the corner of Sequoyah and Dallas Hollow Road and is used as a drainage ditch and is not on the property tax role. He stated that TVA took this land when constructing Sequoyah Road, has not used this portion and it has reverted back to the City. He stated Mr. Steve Hamby owns adjoining property and has requested that the City abandon their right-of-way. Mr. Hamby stated he has requested this land to possibly install drainage tile and make land useful. Mayor Shipley stated he has looked at the property and it is his opinion it would be very expensive to tax payers to make property useful. Commissioner Skiles stated the surveyor thinks enough property would remain to allow room for a four lane should the need arise. Vice-Mayor Privett stated it would cost twice as much to fill the property than it is worth.

He stated it would at least bring in tax revenue. Commissioner Harmon made a motion to approve with no opposition present.

1<sup>st</sup> - Commissioner Harmon 2<sup>nd</sup> - Commissioner Skiles

Ayes - Unanimous

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE, ADOPTING A CLASSIFICATION AND PAY PLAN FOR CITY EMPLOYEES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010.

Vice-Mayor Privett made a motion to approve with the revisions made in the budget workshop.

1<sup>st</sup> - Vice-Mayor Privett
2<sup>nd</sup> - Commissioner Adams

Ayes - Unanimous

Mayor Shipley stated the City is awaiting approval from one person with Norfolk/Southern in order to obtain access for the emergency outlet for Cox Lane.

Citizens' Participation:

Carl Gooden, 10211 Miller Road, stated there is a serious need for a stop sign at either Miller or Card Road. Chief Hamrick recommended to replace the yield sign with a stop sign at Card Road. It was also recommended to cut back any brush on the right-of-way obstructing the view.

Fynn Glover, field organizer for the Chattanooga Stand Campaign, came before the Board asking if the City could help in getting some information out to the public requesting their response to a five question survey. He stated the survey asks what we like about our area and what we dislike, etc. The survey will only take a couple of minutes to complete. He stated Stand's mission is to engage community members to express their ideas for the future, organize around common purposes and translate vision into action. Manager Burris stated she would make this survey available to the employees for participation and could make the survey forms available for citizens at City Hall. Mr. Glover noted the surveys may be completed on line.

Manager Burris presented a request from the fire department for approval on the annual air pack flow test, which is a budgeted item. She stated this is from a sole source provider for the region and is mandatory for governments. The cost is \$2,521.92.

1<sup>st</sup> - Commissioner Adams 2<sup>nd</sup> - Commissioner Harmon

Ayes - Unanimous

Manager Burris asked for approval on a digital recorder for the police department, a budgeted item. She asked Chief Hamrick to explain. Chief Hamrick stated this is a digital recorder transmitter to be purchased out of the drug fund in the amount of \$2,920 and is from a sole source provider.

1<sup>st</sup> - Commissioner Adams 2<sup>nd</sup> - Commissioner Harmon

Ayes - Unanimous

Manager Burris asked the Board to consider the direction they want the City to take on the gun law in

parks. She explained the City may address it by ordinance or opt out. After more research this will be addressed at a later date.

Vice-Mayor Privett stated the light at Harrison Lane and Dayton Pike needs the directional arrow to be displayed on the green lights. He stated the light coming out of Wal-Mart at Dayton Pike also needs directional arrows. He also stated the brush and bushes on the railroad's property on the south side of Harrison Lane are very overgrown. He instructed the City to notify the Railroad and have this cut.

Vice-Mayor Privett stated he thinks it's time to discuss hiring a City Manager. He stated the person to fill this position is Hardie Stulce. Vice-Mayor Privett requested one change be made in the contract to read it would take a 5-0 vote from the Board to terminate the City Manager. He stated he had talked with Mr. Stulce and he was in agreement that if the Board came to him and had a 5-0 vote to terminate his employment he would walk away with no compensation. He requested the City Attorney to put this in this contract. Vice-Mayor made a motion to hire Hardie Stulce as City Manager with this change in his contract.

1<sup>st</sup> - Vice-Mayor Privett 2<sup>nd</sup> - Commissioner Adams

Ayes - Unanimous

Vice-Mayor Privett requested Mayor Shipley to contact Mr. Stulce and see if he is in agreement and get a date to begin employment with the City as City Manager

Vice-Mayor Privett made a motion to cancel the July 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> - Vice-Mayor Privett 2<sup>nd</sup> - Commissioner Adams

Ayes - Unanimous

ADJOURNMENT 8:05 P.M.

SECRETARY BARKER